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ACTIVATED HUMAN ANTIGEN - PRESENTING CELLS, AND USE THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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**CONCISE EXPLANATION OF
RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

Applicants are submitting herewith on Form PTO-1449, a listing of the documents cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in parent application Serial No. 09/331,789, filed June 25, 1999. The relevance of these documents is explained in the parent application.

As provided in 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the documents are not being provided since they were previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in parent application Serial No. 09/331,789, filed June 25, 1999.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) within three (3) months of the filing date, no fee is required in connection with its filing.

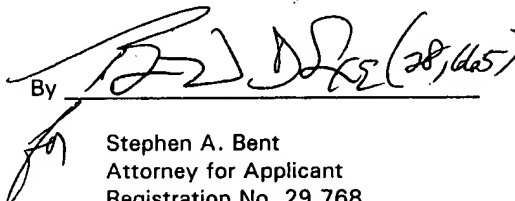
Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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